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Sent: Fri 9/11/2020 2:41:17 PM (UTC)
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Reject the Byhalia Connection Pipeline

Please accept this email as opposition to the Byhalia Connection Pipeline and the special permits associated with this project. This pipeline not only poses a risk to the pristine drinking water supply provided by the Memphis aquifer, but it will also cross multiple streams, posing a risk to our wetlands and waterways, which has a literal trickledown effect into our agriculture, industry, economy, and community.

Once contaminated, the aquifer cannot be recovered. This is not just an environmental concern -- it is an economic concern; can you imagine the costs associated with addressing a contaminated water supply? And that doesn't even touch on the associated health concerns and costs as well.

The financial/economic benefits touted by the pipeline supports are temporary and, in the grand scheme of things, negligible; in the grandest scheme, the costs to the community far outweigh the small, short-term gains. The Boxtown community of Memphis, which lies in the proposed pipeline path, is not wealthy but the majority of residents are homeowners. Displacing these residents from this community (which in some cases boasts five-generations of landholding in one family) or otherwise disrupting the community is a net loss on every level.

Thank you for your time,

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